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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 10th/October, through Sunday, 17th/October there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FK/C, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VK9N, VP2M, VP5, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS. Mart, DL6UAA, expects to arrive here **October 20th** and will be active as **3B8MM**. He plans to stay **until November 16th** (the day before his birthday - November 17th). However, he states that the day of his return back to DL-land is not confirmed right now (possibly 1 week later). Mart also states it seems that a 160m operation will not be possible because there is not enough space at the main-QTH and "/p" activities are not allowed (at the moment).

5Z4, KENYA (IOTA Op). Miki, YT1CS, currently active as **5Z4YT1CS** from **Nairobi**, has arranged a side trip to **Lamu Island AF-040** (Coast Province North Group) from **November 4-11th**. He will be active on 80-10 meters SSB only, using 100W into an inverted "V" for 40/80

meters and verticals for the higher bands. The callsign to be used in this operation will be 5Z4YT1CS/M. Look for him on the usual IOTA frequencies. He will stay in Kenya **until November 18th**. QSL via YT1CS, by the bureau or direct.

7Q, MALAWI. Rumor has it that Les, **7Q7LA**, will be back in Malawi, **before the end of this month**. More details are forthcoming.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Operators Stefan/DK1MM and Frank/DL2CC will be active as **9Y4ZC** in the **CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st)** as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via DK1MM. Outside of the contest, between **October 27th and November 2nd**, they will sign as **9Y4/DK1MM** and **9Y4/DL2CC**.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Mike/K1EU, Joe/K1JB, Steve/K1MV and Jesse/KB1GWT will be active as **C6AVV** during the **CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st)** as Multi-Single entry. QSL via K1JB.

C6, BAHAMAS. Three members of SWODXA (Southwest Ohio DX Association) will be active as **C6DX** for the **CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st)**. Members mentioned are Jim/K8FL, Wayne/K8LEE and Joe/W8GEX. They will be the Island of **Eleuthera (NA-001)** in the Bahamas. They are expected to be active there between **October 26th and November 1st**. The crew will be on all bands and modes PLUS 60 meters.

D4, CAPE VERDE. Alexander, 4L5A, will be active as **D4B** in the **CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st)** as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via K1BV. Visit the Web page: <http://www.qsl.net/d44tt/>

FM, MARTINIQUE. Gil, FM5FJ, will be active in the **CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st)** as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via KU9C.

FR/G, GLORIOSO ISLAND. Another rare French DXpedition has been announced over the past week in the "La Gazette du DX" bulletin. The 2003 CDXC Europa DX team are planning a 15 day operation to Glorioso Island in **May 2005**. As with the Europa operation, the operators will be taken to the island by military personnel. The operators mentioned are: Didier/F5OGL, Dany/F5CW, Freddy/F5IRO, Pascal/F5PTM and possibly others. The team also plans to be an entry in the **CQ WPX Contest** while there. Now for the bad news. Due to international situations, this operation could be cancelled at any time. QSL via F5CQ.

GD4, ISLE OF MAN. Once again, the **MD4K** team plans another operation this year in the **CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st)**. This year's operators include G1GEY, G3NKC, G0HSS, G4MJS, G4XUM, M0BEW, M0RHI and M5RIC. Their entry is still undecided; they may yet switch from Multi-2 to Multi-Multi this time. They welcome invites for QSYs in the contest. QSL via G3NKC, or requests through their Web page at: <http://www.md4k.com>

HK, COLOMBIA (Another Op Needed!). Tony, W4OI (ex-N7BG), reports that he has plans to do a Multi/2 operation this November from HK3CQ's Idyllic QTH in the mountains of Colombia, about an hour from Bogota. He is looking for another operator. They plan to only have 3 operators, Juan/HK3CQ, Tony/W4OI and one other which will allow for plenty of operating time. Anyone who is interested must be willing to bring a transceiver and/or amplifier and be willing to assist in putting up some wire antennas for 80/160m during the week before

the contest. Tony states that they will commute to the station and stay in his apartment in Bogota, so living costs will be minimal. If interested, contact Tony via E-mail at: trogo@cfl.rr.com

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-076.** Activity was expected this past weekend by **JA5BEX/SO2005** to operate from the **Megishima Island** (Kagawa Pre). However, no QSNs were seen on the cluster newtworks. The special "SO2005" suffix is used to celebrate the **2005 World Special Olympics** in the **Nagano Winter Games**. QSL via the bureau or direct to his home callsign.
- **EU-132.** Operators Juergen/DL5CE and Dieter/DL7VAF will be active as **SO1CE** and **SO1VAF**, respectively, from **Wolin Island, October 23-24th**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.
- **NA-091.** Ken, G3OCA, expects to be active as **VE7/G3OCA** from **Quadra Island** (CISA BC-006) between **October 20-25th**. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.
- **NA-142.** Members of the OH KY in Amateur Radio Society will be active as K8SCH from **Santa Rosa Island** (USI FL-003S, Okaloosa County), **Florida**, from **October 25-29th**. Operators mentioned are John/ N8YC, Philip/KG8AP, Brian/K4BRI and possibly others. Look for activity on all bands. The dates are tentative, so if there are any changes, it will be plus or minus one or two weeks at the most. QSL via K8SCH (QRZ.com).
- **SA-NEW.** Marco, CE6TBN, has plans to activate **Rennell Island** in the Ultima Esperanza Province South Group (dates are not set yet). He does have a yacht contacted to go to the island.
- **SA-031.** Marco, CE6TBN, states that he has permission from the Chilean Navy to operate from **Cape Horn (Wollanston Island)** on any date during the year **2005**.

J7, DOMINICA. Five members of the Florida DXpedition Group, Bill/W4WX (**J75WX**), Clarence/W9AAZ (**J79AA**), Larry/W1LR (**J79LR**), Cory/N1WON (**J79CM**) and Vance/N5VL (**J79VL**) will be here between **October 26th and November 2nd**. They will operate from the Picard Beach Resort Cottages. Look for them during the **CQWW DX SSB Contest** as **J75J**. They will be on all bands and modes prior to and after the contest. QSL J75J via their QSL Manager KR4DA and all others callsigns via the operators home callsign.

NEDXCC MEETING. Jim Tumelty, W1CWU, New England DX Century Club President, informs OPDX readers that if you are in the New England area (Beverly, Mass.) on **October 25th**, Eric Scace, K3NA, is scheduled to speak at their club's meeting. Eric, who recently participated in the 3B9C DXpedition in the spring, is scheduled to participate in the much anticipated 3Y0X - Peter One Island DXpedition in January. Everyone is invited to attend and bring along a friend. For further info, you can check the NEDXCC Web site at: <http://www.nedxcc.org>

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Tom, G0PSE, informs that the log for the **GB0SM** (IOTA EU-011) operation has been updated to include the recent October 2-8th activity and is available for viewing at: <http://www.qsl.net/g0pse/dxpeds.htm> E-mail requests for a QSL via the Bureau can be sent to: thomas.taylor19@btinternet.com or g0pse@qsl.net

- The log for the last **IG9/IZ8CGS** IOTA DXpedition to Lampedusa Island (AF-019) by Gianni, IZ8CGS, is online in the log section (name of the log IG9-IZ8CGS2004) at: <http://www.mdxc.org/logsearch1.asp>
- **IR1PL QSLs**. Mauro, IW1RHG, (QSL Manager and IR1PL Team Member), reports that QSLs have been received from the printer (TopQSL), so during the next few days he will start to confirm all direct QSLs. The QSL is a double page QSL. The QSL can be viewed at: <http://home.tele2.it/iw1rhg/>
- The logs and a photo gallery of Christian's **EC3ADC** DXpeditions online are at: <http://www.mdxc.org/ec3adc/> He was active as 3D2EA, 3D2EA/p, A35DX, T20DX and ZK3DX.

T2, TUVALU. Just a reminder that Ulli, DL2AH, will be active this week from **Funafuti Island (OC-015)** between **October 20-24th**. His T2 callsign has not been announced yet. This will be a holiday style operation, but Ulli will be active on 20-10 meters SSB, RTTY and PSK31 using his FT897 and a Delta-Loop antenna. QSL via DL2AH, direct or to the DL Bureau.

TO7, FRENCH GUYANA. Members of the F6KOP of Provins ARS will once again be going on a DXpedition. The team will be active as **TO7C** from **Salut Islands (SA-020** and DIFO FY008) between **March 10-17th**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters including the WARC bands on modes CW/SSB/PSK. Operators mentioned are: Frank/F4AJQ (SSB), Bernd/F9IE (CW/SSB), Dany/F5CW (CW/SSB Low Bands), Serge/F6AML (CW/SSB Low Bands), Bruno/F5AGB (CW), John/F5VHQ/ OE5TGL (SSB), Jean-Paul/F8BJI (Digimodes/SSB), Franck/F5TVG (CW/SSB/ Digimodes) and Guenther/OE3GCU (Digimodes/SSB). QSL via F9IE. The TO7C Web page is available at: <http://to7c.free.fr>

TX9, CHESTERFIELD ISLANDS. The Germans became active early **October 14th** as **TX9**. Yes, TX9 is the complete callsign. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW/SSB/RTTY and last **until October 22nd**. Pilot station/TX9 Web Master Bernd, DF3CB, reports there will be NO online log search until after the operation. QSL all CW QSO via DL4XS. QSL all SSB and RTTY QSOs via DL5NAM. Addresses for both QSL Manager and updated news on the DXpedition can be found on the Web page at: <http://www.df3cb.com/chesterfield/>

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS. Andrei, EW1AR, will be active as V44/EW1AR and **NC2N/V44** between **October 25th and November 1st** from the Island of **Nevis (NA-104)**. Activity will be on all HF bands CW, SSB and especially RTTY. QSL via W3HNK. Also, look for him during the **CQ WW SSB Contest**. He will be using the callsign **V49A** (entry QRP(A) 160m). QSL via V44NK.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS. Boris, UU5SY, will be active as **UU5SY/V44** between **October 25th and November 1st**. Activity will include the **CQ WW SSB Contest** as a Single-O/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via his home callsign KC2FVN.

V6, MICRONESIA. Look for Lanny, W5BOS, to be active as **V6O** from **Pulap (Pollap) Island (IOTA OC-155)**, **October 18-23rd**. QSL via N6AWD.

VA4, CANADA. Rich, N0HJZ, will be operating as **VA4MWA** in the **CQ WW DX Contest (October 30-31)**. Details of his entry in the contest were not provided. QSL via his home call.

VE3, CANADA (CISA Activity). Look for operators VA3YDX/p (Igor), VE3GKW (Boris) and VE3/ER1MF (Maxim) to activate several Canadian Islands for the CISA Trophy from **October 22-25th**. Here are the following Canadian Islands to be on the air:

1. Manitoulin Island	CISA: ON001
2. Barrie Island	CISA: ON015
3. Great Clotche Island	CISA: ON016
4. Little Clotche Island	CISA: new activation
5. Birch Island	CISA: ON017
6. Parry Island	CISA: ON029
7. Goat Island	CISA: ON072

Their suggested (main) frequencies are: 3815, 7260, 14260 and 21260 kHz. Operations will be on the SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK modes. The team will also try to reach other islands for new activations if conditions permit. QSL via their home callsigns:

- *VA3YDX : 105 La Rose Avenue, Apt.#803, Etobicoke, Ontario M9P 1A9
- VE3GKW : 90 Cordova Avenue, Apt.#1009, Etobicoke, Ontario M9A 2H8
- VE3/ER1MF: 45 Oakmount Rd., Apt.#1010, Toronto, Ontario M6P 2M4

* New address!

VK2, AUSTRALIA. Travis, W5GED, will head here on **December 1st** and expects to be active as **VK2GED** for **3 weeks** and will operate from VK2UW's QTH. Look for him to show up on a Pacific Island net on 14315 kHz at 0900z.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. The following was received from Bren, G4DYO, who was asked to forward the below message from Laurie Margolis, G3UML/**VK9LA**, to all bulletins, on Lord Howe Island: "We have noticed adverse comments on the cluster about some of our lowband operations, especially in the evenings EU time. We have sometimes joined nets like the I2ZGC or UR4DX operations around 7045. The simple reason is that we are having huge problems being heard in the EU evening, and I would prefer to work 60 or 70 people on a net rather than shouting at the QRM for two hours each morning to no purpose. Sorry, but that's the way it is. We are hammering all the greyline times. 40 CW has been quite good. SSB much more difficult. Offensive Cluster comments are pointless. We have spent huge time, money and effort getting out here, and want to maximise the QSO rate. I will try to spend more time working 80 metre EU long path in the EU morning, but the contact rate is very slow, and other bands are busy then. I can hear many G's perfectly around 3799 at 0700 GMT, but they can't hear me despite power and good long path antenna. Unfortunately high band condx -- 17-12-15-10 -- are truly dreadful, at the half way point of our operation. Still trying!" 73 LAURIE, G3UML REMEMBER the VK9LA activity will end on **October 23rd**. QSL via Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group, Inc., P.O. Box 513, Nambour 4560, Australia.

VO2, CANADA (ZONE 2). Operators Stanely/AC8W/VA3ACW, Hank/K8DD/VE3RDD and Ian/K8MM will be active as **VO2AAA** from **Labrador City**, Labrador, during the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Multi-Single, possibly a Multi-2 if they get another operator or two. QSLs for the contest callsign go to K8DD/VE3RDD.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Follow-Up/Update). Over the past week, it was learned that the two operators who requested everyone to write to the Indian Telecommunication Ministry to

authorize an operation to Andaman Islands, are two separate efforts and that there is no competition between the two. However, there has been some letters written to Miku, VU2WAP, supporting Mrs. Bharathi, VU2RBI. These letters should be kept separate so as not to confuse the application with the minister of communications. Both are receiving plenty of support. For more details, please refer to last week's OPDX.680.

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<http://www.papays.com/opdx.html>

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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